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S. 325

To amend section 845 of title 18, United States Code, relating to explosives,
to grant the Attorney General exemption authority.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. COCHRAN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred
to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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to explosives, to grant the Attorney General exemp-
tion authority.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SPECIFIC EXEMPTION.**

4 Section 845(a) of title 18, United States Code, is
5 amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (5), by striking “and” after
7 the semicolon;

8 (2) in paragraph (6), by striking the period and
9 inserting “; and”; and

10 (3) by adding at the end the following:

1 “(7) pest control pyrotechnics manufactured,
2 imported, used, and stored in accordance with regu-
3 lations issued by the Attorney General.”.

4 **SEC. 2. EXEMPTION AUTHORITY.**

5 Section 845 of title 18, United States Code, is
6 amended by inserting at the end the following:

7 “(d) The Attorney General may exempt from all or
8 a part of the provisions of this chapter explosive materials
9 or explosive devices containing such materials when a de-
10 termination is made, by regulation, that the explosive ma-
11 terials or explosive devices—

12 “(1) are of a type that does not pose a threat
13 to public safety; and

14 “(2) are unlikely to be used as a weapon.”.

15 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

16 The amendment made by this Act shall take effect
17 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

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